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In this commercial country, abounding in railroads and canals, professional men are constantly consulted by carriers and by shippers and consignees, and perhaps no branch of law has received a larger share of legal attention in modern times than the law of carriers. The vast number of decisions, both in England and in this country, attest the truth of the remark. Hence the publishers did wisely in submitting an English treatise to the profession, with American notes and references. We have examined these latter with much interest and pleasure. We think they are conceived and executed in the true manner and spirit of annotation—not so elaborate as to amount to treatises in themselves, and not so barren as to be merely a finger guide to a case, but reasonably brief and carefully sifted and judiciously placed. We think the Messrs. Johnson did wisely in entrusting this duty to Mr. Sellers, who well deserves the thanks of the profession for his satisfactory labors. As usual with all the books now printed by this excellent law-publishing house, the mechanical execution of the work is admirable—type and paper models, the former large and leaded, and the latter white and clear. The whole book may be taken as an excellent specimen of American law publishing.

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